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SUBJ: CONSULTATIVE GROUP: MESSAGE FROM GRAHAM TO LOW

REF: LUSAKA 1449

1. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED THIS MORNING,
TO WHICH REFTEL IS A REPLY.

2. QUOTE. AS STEPHEN MILES WILL PROBABLY ALREADY HAVE TOLD
YOU, WE ARRIVED HERE TO FIND THAT MUGABE HAD NOT COME. HE WAS
EXPECTED, HOWEVER, BY A FLIGHT LAST NIGHT. IN THE EVENT WE HAD
A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHARGE IN MAPUTO THAT HE COULD NOT GET ON
THAT FLIGHT (ALLEGEDLY NO TRAFFIC RIGHTS MAPUTO-DAR) AND HOPED
TO ARRIVE TONIGHT. MEANWHILE WE ARE MEETING HIS COLLEAGUES
WHO ARE HERE AT 0900 THIS MORNING (MAY 24).

3. I DO NOT THINK WE CAN WASTE MORE TIME ON THS. WE AGREED,
I THINK, THAT WE SHOULD IF POSSIBLE SEE MUGABE AND THE PATRIOTIC
FRONT BEFORE GOING TO SALISBURY OR AT LEAST MAKE A DETERMINED
ATTEMPT TO DO SO. I THINK WE HAVE CARRIED THIS OUT. WE SHALL
THEREFORE LEAVE FOR BLANTYRE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MEETING
WITH THE PF, WITH A VIEW TO TRAVELING ON TO JOHANNESUBRY
AND SALISBURY ON WEDNESDAY.
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4. I HOPE THIS DOES NOT CAUSE ANY PROBLEM FOR YOU. MY OWN
BELIEF IS THAT MUGABE IS USING THESE TACTICS DELIBERATELY
TO PUT US IN THE POSITION OF COMING TO HIM (STEEL SAYS HE DID
THIS AT GENEVA). AT THIS STAGE I ONLY NEED TO PUT FORWARD THE
SORT OF QUESTIONS TO WHICH WE NEED ANSWERS AND, MUCH MORE
DIFFICULT, TO TRY TO TIE UP A MEETING NEXT WEEK, PREFERABLY

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IN LUSAKA. I AM ALSO CONSCIOUS THAT IN MANY WAYS OUR MOST DIFFICULT TASK IS GOING TO BE IN SALISBURY AND A FURTHER POSTPONEMENT THERE, BECAUSE OF MUGABE, WILL NOT PREDISPOSE THEM TO GIVE US AN EASY HEARING.

5. HOPE TO SEE YOU IN BLANTYRE TOMORROW MORNING (MAY 25).
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